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SUBJ: MTN: TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE GROUP 3(C)-SECTORS

1. TOKYO DECLARATION STATES IN PARA 3(C) THAT MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD AIM TO "INCLUDE AN EXAMINATION OF THE POSSIBILITIES FOR THE COORDINATED REDUCTION OR ELIMINALIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TION OF ALL BARRIERS TO TRADE IN SELECTED SECTORS AS A

COMPLEMENTARY TECHNIQUE." AT JULY TNC MEETING, IT WAS AGREED GROUP 3(C) ON SECTORS AT FIRST MEETING OCTOBER 7-9 SHOULD EXAMINE METHODOLOGY FOR SECTOR APPROACH.

- 2. CANADA HAS SUGGESTED TO GATT SECRETARIAT THAT GROUP 3(C) BE GIVEN TASKS OF IDENTIFYING A NUMBER OF SECTORS TO BE USED IN ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMINATION OF SECTOR APPROACH TO TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT BASIC INFORMATION (E.G. PRODUCTION, CONSUMPTION, IMPORTS, EXPORTS, TARIFFS AND NONTARIFF BARRIERS) BE COLLECTED FOR SELECTED SECTORS AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF PROCESSING. CANADA ALSO SUGGESTED THAT PULP AND PAPER AND COPPER WOULD BE APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATIVE SECTORS.
- 3. AMBASSADOR MALMGREN STATED AT TNC MEETING THAT SECTORS GROUP SHOULD FIRST EXAMINE METHODOLOGY OF SECTOR APPROACH. BEFORE DISCUSSING PARTICULAR SECTORS, AND PROBLEMS AND ISSUES OF THE SECTORAL APPROACH. IN US VIEW, MEETING OF SECTORS GROUP SHOULD EXAMINE PRINCIPLES OF A GENERAL FRAME-WORK FOR SECTORAL NEGOTIATIONS, INCLUDING DESIRABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF THE SECTORAL APPROACH. AND POSSIBLE METHODS AND PROCEDURES FOR SECTORAL NEGOTIATIONS. WE BELIEVE SUCH EXAMINATION WOULD INCLUDE INTER ALIA QUESTION OF ORGANIZ-ING SECTOR NEGOTIATIONS TO ENHANCE PROSPECTS FOR SUBSTAN-TIAL TARIFF AND NTB LIBERALIZATION IN SELECTED SECTORS AND PROBLEM OF ACHIEVING OVERALL BALANCE OF ADVANTAGES AMONG MAJOR PARTICIPANTS. WE BELIEVE GENERAL ELEMENTS OF SECT-ORAL NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED BEFORE GROUP NARROWS ITS FOCUS TO APPLICATION OF SUCH ELEMENTS TO SPECIFIC ILL-USTRATIVE SECTORS. IN OUR VIEW CANADIAN POSITION IS PRE-MATURE.
- 4. ACTION: ACTION POSTS SHOULD CONVEY ABOVE TO HOST GOVERNMENT IN LOW-KEY MANNER AND SEEK ADVANCE INDICATION OF ITS VIEWS ON DIRECTION AND PACE OF SECTORS GROUP WORK. KISSINGER

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